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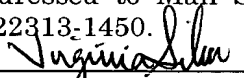PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Kazuyuki Yokoyama, et al. Group Art Unit: 2854

Serial No.: 10/647,870 Examiner: Wasseem H. Hamdan

Filed: August 25, 2003

Title: PRINTING METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM CONTAINING A PROGRAM FOR APPLYING THE PRINTING METHOD, PRINTER, PRINTER DRIVER, POS TERMINAL, AND POS SYSTEM

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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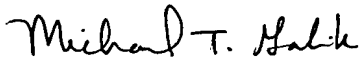## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (IF REQUIRED)

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Sir:

Enclosed are corrected drawings which are being submitted in response to the Notice of Allowability dated May 17, 2004, consisting of two (2) replacement sheets for Fig. 1 and Fig. 3 respectively. Please enter these drawings in the application so that it may pass to issue.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fee for such extension of time to our Deposit Account No.: 19-2746.

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